

North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Lake Metigoshe State Park holds NDPRD 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration and Tree Planting on Saturday, June 6**

The North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department's (NDPRD) 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration is being held at Lake Metigoshe State Park on Saturday, June 6 along with the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tree Planting.

The tree planting starts at 9 a.m. and is open to everyone. Participants will meet at the large picnic shelter near the beach. Be sure to bring a pair of gloves.

In honor of National Trails Day, the park is holding a guided hike on the Old Oak Trail beginning at 10 a.m. In 1976, the Old Oak became North Dakota's first National Recreational Trail. Participants should wear comfortable shoes, sunscreen and bug spray. Hikers are to meet at the Warming House.

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration begins at 12:30 p.m. Stop in at the Dining Hall for an afternoon of food, fun and giveaways. Food and refreshments along with the specially made S'mores Ice Cream will be served until it's gone. NDPRD Director Mark Zimmerman is scheduled to say a few words at 1 p.m. with the Kenny Sivertson and the Moen Family Entertainers to follow.

There will be many give-a-ways for all ages, photo opportunities with NDPRD mascot Roscoe the Raccoon, sales of 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary merchandise and the NDPRD Traveling Exhibit will be open for touring.

Lake Metigoshe State Park is located 16 miles northeast of Bottineau, ND, just off Highway 43. For campsite, cabin and/or yurt reservations go online at [www.parkrec.nd.gov](http://www.parkrec.nd.gov) or call 800-807-4723. For additional information contact the park at 701-263-4651.